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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. "NEW STRAITS TIMES", ENGLISH LANGUAGE
DAILY NEWSPAPER, REPORTS 11 FEBRUARY IN ARTICLE ON ASEAN PRE-
SUMMIT MEETING IN BANGKOK THAT ASEAN PROPOSES MALAYSIAN PETER LAI
FOR POSITION OF INTERNATIONAL TIN COUNCIL EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN FOR
FIFTH ITA. PETER LAI IS CURRENTLY MALAYSIA'S PERMANENT REPRE-
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SENTATIVE TO UNITED NATIONS GENEVA AND AMBASSADOR TO EEC AND

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BELGIUM. END UNCLASSIFIED.

2. BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE. MINISTRY OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES OFFICIAL INFORMS US GOM HAS BACKING OF PRODUCING COUNTRIES FOR CANDIDACY AND WILL BE APPROACHING USG IN WASHINGTON, D.C. TO ASK FOR OUR SUPPORT.

3. OFFICIAL SAYS GOM NOT ENTIRELY SATISFIED WITH WAY PRESENT ITC EXEC CHAIRMAN HAROLD ALLEN HANDLED SUSPENSION OF ITC BUFFER STOCK MANAGER (INDONESIAN) AND DEPUTY MANAGER (BOLIVIAN) LAST MAYI9. ACCORDING MALAYSIAN OFFICIAL, ALLEN ADVISED ITC CONSUMERS GROUP CHAIRMAN (CANADIAN) PRIOR TO ORDERING SUSPENSION BUT DID NOT EVEN "WHISPER IN ADVANCE TO PRODUCERS PUOUP. OFFICIAL ALSO SAYS THAT AFTER 20 YEARS, GOM BELIEVES ITC SHOULD HAVE NATIONAL FROM PRO-DUCING COUNTRY AS EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN, AND SINCE MALAYSIA IS LARGEST TIN PRODUCER MALAYSIAN NATIONAL SHOULD HAVE JOB. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE.
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